

## HELLO ..THIS YEAR 2026 is...

THE 180th Anniversary of  
the Church and Parish

The Church is Open every day 9-4.30pm

THE AGAPE FOOD BANK BOX

IS AT THE BACK OF CHURCH FOR DONATIONS

Bell Ringing contact Paul Barrett 078026622145

## FUTURE EVENTS

with Deeping St. Nicholas Church

SATURDAY JUNE 13th 7pm



THE SLEAFORD TRAINING BAND IN CHURCH

MUSIC FROM THE 60's and 70's

Tickets £10 including refreshments

ring Erica on 07751323584

or Maggie on 07922209984

Children under 12 free

Sunday July 5th at 3pm

Opening Service

for the 180th Anniversary of

Deeping St. Nicholas Church and Parish

with Archdeacon Gavin Kirk

Come and share your knowledge and passion

For the history and activity of Deeping St. Nicholas  
Church and Village during

This Celebration of Thankfulness for the 180yrs  
since the church was built.

Space available free of charge to set up your display in  
church for the month of August.

SUNDAY AUGUST 9TH 3PM HARVEST IN THE FIELD

Courtesy of David and Sue Steele

With afternoon tea

Chapel farm Hop Pole PE11 3DS

Faith and Learning a celebration of gifts

With Revd. Canon Dr. Hugh Jones

Saturday August 15th 3pm in church

All Welcome

Sunday September 13th at 3pm

Civic Service of Thanksgiving for Community

With Bishop Nicholas

All Welcome

Ring, Text or e-mail Erica : [erica.crust@gmail.com](mailto:erica.crust@gmail.com)  
you wish to put something on the News sheet.

All updates welcome. The Church is available for booking for activities/meetings. Please ensure these are entered in the church diary by contacting **Carolyn Sumner Tel. 07808350802**

## Deeping St. Nicholas Church News Sheet

7th June 2026

Trinity 1



**We Welcome you**

Holy Communion 9.30am

### Hymns

525 One more step along the world I go

108 Colours of the day

35 A New Commandment

332 I the Lord of sea and sky

*Music by Florence Numa*

### Prayer

Thank you Lord Jesus for loving me so much that nothing in my past, present, or future can separate me from your love. Your love transcends all understanding and experiencing it is my life's greatest joy.

**Next week**

Sunday June 14th

Morning Prayer 9.30am

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# Sunday 7 June 2026 First Sunday after Trinity

## COLLECT

O God,  
the strength of all those who put their  
trust in you,  
mercifully accept our prayers  
and, because through the weakness of  
our mortal nature  
we can do no good thing without you,  
grant us the help of your grace,  
that in the keeping of your  
commandments  
we may please you both in will and  
deed;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

## FIRST READING Hosea 5:15 – 6:6

*A reading from the book of the prophet Hosea.*

I will return again to my place until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my face. In their distress they will beg my favour: Come, let us return to the Lord; for it is he who has torn, and he will heal us; he has struck down, and he will bind us up. After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will raise us up, that we may live before him. Let us know, let us press on to know the Lord; his appearing is as sure as the dawn; he will come to us like the showers, like the spring rains that water the earth. What shall I do with you, O Ephraim? What shall I do with you, O Judah? Your love is like a morning cloud, like the dew that goes away early. Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets, I have killed them by the words of my mouth, and my judgement goes forth as the light. For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice, the knowledge of God rather than burnt-offerings.

Or **Genesis 12:1-9**

## PSALM Psalm 50:7-15

**R** *The Lord will show his salvation to the upright.*

Hear, O my people, and I will speak:  
"O Israel, I will bear witness against you;  
for I am God, your God.

I do not accuse you because of your  
sacrifices;  
your offerings are always before me. **R**

I will take no bull-calf from your stalls,  
nor he-goats out of your pens;  
For the beasts of the forest are mine,

the herds in their thousands upon the  
hills.

I know every bird in the sky,  
and the creatures of the fields are in my  
sight. **R**

If I were hungry, I would not tell you,  
for the whole world is mine and all that  
is in it.

Do you think I eat the flesh of bulls,  
or drink the blood of goats?

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving  
and make good your vows to the Most  
High.

Call upon me in the day of trouble;  
I will deliver you and you shall honour  
me." **R**

## SECOND READING Romans 4.13-end

*A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.*

The promise that Abraham would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations") – Abraham believed in the presence of the God who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be." He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in God who raised Jesus our Lord from the

dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

## GOSPEL Matthew 9:9-13. 18-26

*Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.*

As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him. And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax-collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax-collectors and sinners?" But when he heard this, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners." While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live." And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from haemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, for she said to herself, "If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well." Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." And instantly the woman was made well. When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute-players and the crowd making a commotion, he said, "Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. And the report of this spread throughout that district.

## POST COMMUNION

Eternal Father,  
we thank you for nourishing us  
with these heavenly gifts:  
may our communion strengthen us in  
faith,  
build us up in hope,  
and make us grow in love;  
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.